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Local legislators weigh in on General Assembly impasse

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five-day session to the American

During the last day of the

General Assembly

Higdon noted that he is going to

Five-day special session called to resolve stalled bills

JENNIFER CORBETT

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Legislators spent most of Thursday inside Frankfort trying to find a compromise on some bills that weren't passed during previous meetings of the Kentucky General Assembly.

Even though they stayed in session for most of the day, legislators Bill 4 (which addresses prescription pill abuse), House Bill 267, (the transportation budget for the road plan) and the different modified versions of the high school drop out bill.

Consequently, not a single bill discussed was passed. To remedy the situation, Gov.

Steve Beshear called for a five-day special session of the General Assembly to begin noon Monday. The expected cost for taxpayers for the five-day session is \$300,000.

"I'm disappointed we're back in special session," State Sen. Jimmy Higdon said. "We worked diligent-



Rep. David **Floyd**

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Local legislators say Gov. Steve Beshear is wrong to blame Senate **President David Williams for the** impasse and the special session that starts Monday. According to Rep. David Floyd and Sen. Jimmy Higdon, the governor had a hand in holding up some bills by refusing to sign some passed by the Senate and the House.

> Thursday, legislators stayed until almost midnight and couldn't find a middle ground on HB 4, HB 267 and the modified high school drop out bill.

Sen. Jimmy

Higdon

Following the end of the regular session, Beshear also expressed his

of the General Assembly.

"Once again, I – like most Kentuckians - am disgusted and angry to be in this position," he said. "It's the morning after a legislative session formally came to a close, and once again, critical business remains unfinished."

To Beshear, the reason a special session was called can be easily summed up — Senate President David Williams.

"For 12 years, Kentuckians have suffered at the hands of Senate President David Williams,"

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In Memory



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Paula Stone, right, passes on a flame Friday night, when about 40 family members and friends of her grandson, Brandon Stone, gathered in front of the Nelson County Justice Center on the anniversary of his death. Brandon Lashaun Stone, 22, was shot and killed in Loretto last year. The murder has not yet been solved.

Luallen address the next uphill battle for Democrats

She pushes for more women voters

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Democratic partisans met for a night of raising awareness for causes that keep them pushing the Democratic Party forward at the annual Nelson County Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner Friday night at Maywood Country

The night featured an auction, as well as some high profile Democratic candidates and representatives. Those in attendance included former State

Auditor Crit Luallen, current State Auditor Adam Edelen, Democratic candidate for State Representative for the 50th District Dick Heaton. Bardstown Mayor Bill Sheckles, Nelson County Sheriff Stephen Campbell, Magistrate Keith Metcalfe and Magistrate Bernard Ice.

Dee Dee Ford-Keene, chair of the Jefferson-Jackson Day Dinner, introduced Luallen as the key speaker of the night. Ford-Keene spoke how Luallen began her political career when she was hired to stuff envelopes for former Gov. Wendell Ford in 1974. She went on to serve as secretary of the executive cabinet, state budget director, secretary of finance and administration cabinet, secretary of the Kentucky tourism cab-



JENNIFER CORBETT/The Kentucky Standard

Crit Luallen spoke at the Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner in Bardstown Friday night.

inet, commissioner of the Kentucky Department of the Arts and special assistant to the Governor.

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TOM ISAAC/PLG NEWS

A New Haven man has been charged with second-degree arson after allegedly pouring gas around a home in New Haven and threatening to light it on fire. The incident allegedly happened after a domestic dispute.

New Haven house doused in gas in arson attempt

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A man allegedly doused a New Haven house in gasoline and threatened to set it on fire during a domestic dispute Tuesday night.

Jonathan Jeffires, 24, reportedly fled when New Haven Police Officer K.C. Holbert arrived at 390 N. First St. around 7:34 p.m., running in the direction of Second Street.

'He was standing in the middle of the street when I got there and had a knife in his hand. When I got there he dropped the knife and took off," Holbert said. "I had a good visual on him the whole time and was catching up to him."



Jeffires

Jonathan

About 100 yards from the house, Holbert sprained his ankle and had to abandon the pursuit.

But only a short time later, Nelson County Sheriff's Dep. Mike Clark allegedly spotted Jeffires returning to the house.

'Mike said he was sitting up on Second Street and then [Jeffries] walked down through the yard, and as he was approaching the residence ... he got a visual on Jeffires trying to open a window on the house to gain entry," Holbert said. "Mike Clark ended up in another foot pursuit with him and chased him down."

By 10:34 p.m. Jeffires had been booked at the Nelson County Jail on charges of second-degree arson, first- and second-degree fleeing or evading police, first-degree wanton endangerment, third-

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>> OPINION

Weigh in on this paper's poll question at www.kystandard.com:

Would you have went on the memorial cruise of the 100th anniversary of the Titanic sinking?

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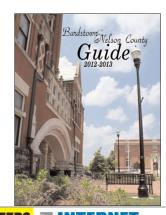
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Annual Coin Show Opens to Public

BY DAVID MORGAN

STAFF WRITER

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This year the annual International Coin Collectors Association will open it's doors to the general public. The coin show is a unique opportunity for anyone that has coins, whether it's a single coin or an entire collection. They can meet with and sell directly to the collector's club. Admission is free and there is no obligation to sell. The types of coins the collectors are looking for include silver dollars, half dollars, quarters and dimes dated

1964 and before. Actually, the half dollars can date all the way to 1970. The government used silver to make most U.S. coinage until 1965 when they started using cheaper clad. Silver coins made before 1965 are made with 90 percent silver and are worth many times their face value because of today's high silver market. Recently, silver has been trading for about \$32 per oz. Five years ago, silver was just over \$4 per oz. This dramatic increase has raised the price of these silver coins dramatically. Therefore, people that have these coins are selling them

to take advantage of the record high prices. During this event, those who have coins they wish to sell will be able to do just that. Unlike selling your coins at a pawn shop or one of those traveling "we buy anything" sales, this show is operated by collectors who pay much higher prices.

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This show isn't just for silver coins either. They are also interested in gold coins, paper currency, nickels and pennies too. The United States government started minting coins in 1792. If those early coins are in good condition, they can be worth

big money. For instance, a 1792 silver dollar could be worth as much as \$20,000 if it's the right one. Compare that to a common wheat back penny from the 1960's- still collectible but only worth a few cents. Old paper currency can be worth a lot too. A common silver certificate is only worth a couple of bucks but an 1890's \$20 bill in excellent condition could be worth thousands. This event is a place you can learn about the coins and paper currency that you have and a chance to sell directly to collectors.

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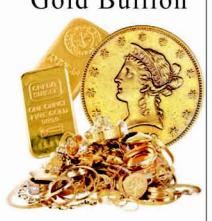


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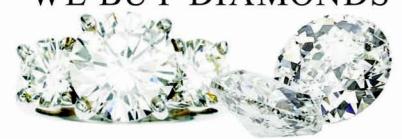






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NEWS IN BRIEF

STAFF REPORT

Mary Childs was amazed at the value of the coin collection she had taken to the local coin collectors' show. Mary's uncle had collected coins throughout his entire life. Harry was 12 years old in 1965 when he took an interest in coin collecting. Going through his father's pocket change became a daily ritual.

That's around the time when the government stopped using silver to make coins and started using the much cheaper clad. Harry was intrigued by the silver coins-they were colder to the touch than the newer clad coins and they sounded different when they clanked together. Harry thought these silver coins would eventually be taken out of circulation and may be worth something more than face value some day. He was right. Through the sixties and much of the seventies it was not uncommon to find these silver coins in pocket change. However, when they made their way back to the mint, they would be replaced with the newer clad coins. The silver coins would be melted down and gone forever.

Harry accumulated quite a collection over the years. The silver coins he collected were not very rare-in fact, they were mostly heavily circulated and had common dates. But in the past 4 years, silver has risen to record high prices. Currently, silver is trading for around \$33 per oz. That makes coins dated 1964 and earlier worth many times their face value.

Uncle Harry was right-these coins were worth keeping. Harry enjoyed collecting these coins throughout his life and now he could do something special for someone close to him. Harry never had children of his own, but was very close to his brother's only child, Mary. Mary had worked hard and was very independent. She took out student loans to get through college and had recently graduated. She had just landed her first job and was starting to build a life for herself. Harry decided to give his coin collection to Mary and have her sell it to pay down her student loans. At first, Mary didn't accept the offer because she wanted to do things on her own, but Uncle Harry was pretty persistent.

After separating the coins by denomination and type, Mary loaded up the coins and headed to our coin show. After a short registration, Mary was seated in front of one of the coin experts. The volume of coins Mary brought in prompted the collector to summon the help of two additional collectors. After counting all the coins and totaling them up, (\$2374.75 in face value alone) the offer was made: \$37,996.00. Mary had to ask the collector to repeat the offer again. She started crying tears of joy and said "SOLD!" Neither she nor her uncle had any idea that his collection was worth that much. The student loans would be paid in full, with money left over. It was a good day for Mary...a very good day!

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>> OBITUARIES

'C' Craven Durham, 56

"C" Craven Durham, 56, Bardstown, died Thursday, April 12, 2012. He was born Sept. 27, 1955, at Norfolk Naval Base, Norfolk, Va. He was retired from AT&T after 30 years of service. He was a volunteer at Lebanon Junction Elementary School and St. Benedict Catholic Church Bible School. He was a member of St. Gregory Catholic Church, Samuels.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John "H" and Doris Pinnix Durham.

Survivors include his wife, Rose Hoagland Durham; a sister, Anita (Willie) Evans, Dunnville; father-in-law, James H. Hoagland Jr., Lebanon Junction; sistersand brothers-in-law, Cecilia and Joey Hodge, Shepherdsville, Maria and Wayne Burba, Boston, Christine and Les McIntosh, Shepherdsville; nieces, Johna Pendleton, Dunnville, Marcie (Berry) Boblitt, Cox's Creek, Teresa Jean Hodge, Shepherdsville, Emily McIntosh, Mount Washington, and Beth Hoagland, Shepherdsville; nephews, Tony (Tiffany) Burba, Bardstown, James C.

Hoagland, Shepherdsville; Kelsey great-nieces, Pendleton Zoie Pendleton, both of Dunnville, Savannah Boblitt, Cox's Creek, Kayleigh Burba, Polson, Mon.; and greatnephews, Austin Burba and Brad Burba, Bardstown, Hayden Boblitt, Cox's Creek, Nathaniel Hoagland, Shepherdsville and Brandon McKnight, Mount Washington.

The funeral will be 11 a.m. Monday at St. Benedict Catholic Church, Lebanon Junction with burial in Lebanon Junction City Cemetery.

Visitation is noon-8 p.m. Sunday and after 9 a.m. Monday at Kappel Funeral Home, Lebanon Junction.

A prayer service will be 7 p.m. Sunday at the funeral Expressions of sympathy

may take the form of donations to St. Jude Hospital.

Kappel Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



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Marvena Livers, 46

Marvena Livers, 46, New Haven, died Friday April 13, 2012, at her residence. She was born Feb. 20, 1966. She was a homemaker, and a member of St. Gregory Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband, Bobby Livers; two sons, Erik Livers, Bardstown, and Brad Livers of New Haven; a daughter, Kim Livers, Bardstown; two grandchildren, Summer Rogers and Alex Miller; her parents, Bill and Linda Broaddus, Bloomfield; maternal grandparents, Paul and Viola Leathers, Bardstown; brothers, Steve Broaddus, Radcliff, Keith Broaddus, Leitchfield, Charlie

Todd McCombs, Caneyville; two sisters, Benita Semar, Bloomfield, and Debbie Embry, Caneyville; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral will be 11 a.m. Monday at Barlow Funeral Home with burial in St. Gregory Cemetery. Deacon Joe Livers will officiate.

Visitation is 4-8 p.m. Sunday and 9-11 a.m. Monday at Barlow Funeral A prayer service will be 6

p.m. Sunday at the funeral Memorial contributions may go to St. Jude Children's

Barlow Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Keith Martin, 60

Broaddus, Bloomfield, and

Martin, Bardstown, died Thursday April 12, 2012, at his residence. He was born Dec. 7, 1952, in Bardstown and was employed at American Greetings.

He is preceded in death by his parents, James and Mary Frances Martin; and five brothers, Harold Martin, Leon Martin, Tommy Martin, Joseph Ernest Martin and Chucky Martin.

Survivors include three William Joseph Martin, Louisville, and Ryan Keith Martin and Brian Keith Martin, both of Bardstown; one daughter, Stacy Martin Raley, Louisville; several grandchildren; one sister, Mary Smith, Shepherdsville; five brothers, Paul Martin and John Martin, both of Bardstown, Todd Martin. Brownsville, Jimmy Martin, New Haven, and Franklin Martin, Brownsville; and several nieces and nephews.

His memorial service will be 1 p.m. Tuesday at Barlow Funeral Home. The Rev. Barry McGuffin will officiate. Visitation is 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tuesday at Barlow Funeral Home.

Barlow Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Nenally Rechucher Hawkins, 36

The funeral for Nenally Rechucher Hawkins, 36, Loretto, was at 11 a.m. Friday, April 13, 2012, at Mattingly Funeral Home, 195 Holy Cross Road, Loretto, with interment in St. Catherine Cemetery, New Haven. The Rev. R. Joseph Hemmerle officiated.

Pallbearers were Charlie Miles, Steven Miles, Sheridan Rechucher, Dale Hawkins, Travis Greenwell, Albert Hawkins, Larry Hawkins Jr. and Ben Hawkins.

Mattingly Funeral Home in charge arrangements.

William Keith 'Keitsie' Sorrell, 66

The funeral for William Keith "Keitsie" Sorrell, 66, Bardstown, was 11 a.m. Thursday, April 12, 2012, at Barlow Funeral Home with in Bardstown Cemetery. The Rev. Tim Lucas officiated.

Pallbearers were Joseph "June Bug" Lydian, Ricky Vittitow, Randall Webb, Dwayne Sorrell, Tim Sorrell and Roy Gibson.

Barlow Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

>> CORRECTION

Due to a printing plant error, an incorrect sales flyer was inserted into store copies on Friday the 13th. The correct flyer is inserted today

and the sale will be extended through Wednesday April 18th. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have

Woman injured after man allegedly runs red light

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A truck that allegedly ran a red light on West Stephen Foster Avenue slammed into the driver's side of a Ford Expedition, sending its driver to the hospital Friday.

The accident occurred at the intersection of West Stephen Foster and Fifth Street in Bardstown around noon. Witnesses said the light had turned green for Jill Dennison, 42, Bardstown, when she pulled her Ford Expedition from North Fifth Street into the intersection. At that moment, a Chevrolet 1500 pickup truck driven by Jason Williams, 42, also of Bardstown, drove west on Stephen Foster through the intersection, striking the Expedition. Nelson County EMS transported

Dennison to Flaget Memorial Hospital with possible neck or head injuries, Bardstown Police Officer Glenn Wheatley said. Williams was not injured. Amy Johnson, Springfield, was in a

other witnesses when they saw the accident about to happen and braced themselves. "It's one of those things you know

car on South Fourth Street with two

and you just can't stop," she said. "He ran the red light, is what happened." Johnson and her friends agreed

there was a green light for Fifth Street

traffic when the accident occurred. "He never hit his brake," said Bridget Cissell, Bardstown, who was in the car with Johnson.

Wheatley confirmed this account. "Basically, he wasn't paying atten-

help then went to check whether

tion," Wheatley said. Cissell is a member of the Boston Fire Department, so she radioed for

Williams and Dennison were all right. Dennison was reportedly worried about her dogs, two Yorkies that were

ERIN L. MCCOY/The Kentucky Standard Jill Dennison, 42, Bardstown, suf-

Ford Expedition was struck by a Chevy 1500 pickup driven by Jason Williams, 42, also of Bardstown.

fered possible head or neck injuries

after the driver's side of her white

in the car with her, but they appeared to be unhurt. But Brian Calvert, Springfield, said

he could see Dennison was holding Neither Dennison nor Williams had

any other passengers.

>> Luallen

From Page A1

She held the position of Kentucky Auditor of Public Accounts for eight years and uncovered some corrupt underlining work from her fellow politicians.

"I hope (the legacy of my term) heightened the level of accountability across the state," Luallen said.

A core subject of Luallen's speech was crystal clear — educating more citizens about politics so they can make a difference.

She targeted every age group and gender.

According to Luallen, a main concern on which she wants to focus is the low amount of women registered to vote. When she worked for Martha Layne Collins in 1983, she thought a female governor would break down barriers for a lot of women.

"It didn't," she said, noting that there are 470,000 women in the state of Kentucky who are eligible to vote, but haven't regis-

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ers may have to do with public distain for politicians. Even though many media outlets may report otherwise, Luallen stressed that not all politicians are corrupt.

"The majority of public leaders are working to do the right thing," she said. "For every scandal my office uncovered, there were a dozen people doing the right thing.'

During her speech, Luallen touched upon how Kentucky has the fifth highest poverty rate in the nation, the fastest influx of inmate population and more citizens receiving Medicaid than people in public and higher education combined.

"How are the efforts of the elected leaders facing those problems?" Luallen

asked the crowd. The answer is quite simple — education. Luallen recalled how the nation's economy is more knowledge based, which is leaving people further further behind because of the constant cuts to education.

"(The Assembly) just passed another budget that cuts nearly all areas of education," she added.

ward and four steps backward. The cause for this could also be the change in politics she has seen over her tenure.

"Politics (used) to be very personal," Luallen said. "Now, it's a completely different world."

Some vital aspects she has seen increase in politics includes technology, money and media.

"I believe all of us have to change so we can win elections," Luallen said to the "With changes, it makes your role in the community more crit-

As a staunch Democrat, Luallen lent a supporting

She noted that she often hand to the current sees a pattern in Kentucky Democrats working in politics: take three steps for- Frankfort. Legislation has made coverage available to children with pre-existing conditions, provide insurance for young adults up to 26 years old and help seniors with their prescription drug costs.

With an election pending the fall, Luallen addressed that Democrats may face some issues in order to gain office such as Republicans using talking points to strike fear and confusion in voters.

"We all know Barack Obama will have an uphill battle," she said. "It's up to the people. So much is at electing Democrats because of their leadership is vital."





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First Baptist Church revival

First Baptist Church of Bardstown, 315 N. Second St., will have a revival 7 p.m. April 16-18. Evangelists will be the Rev. William Nelson, Monday, the Rev. Henry Nelson, Tuesday and the Rev. George Nelson, Wednesday. Any Wednesday night Bible study groups are welcome to attend. Child care is available each night.

Nelson Fiscal Court

Nelson Fiscal Court will meet 9 a.m. April 17. Items on the agenda include paving machine-Fairgrounds improvements: Bloomfield Station lease, Fairgrounds

Bardstown Board of Education

Bardstown Independent School District Board of Education will meet noon April 17. Items on the ageninclude Student Achievement Report: Bardstown Middle School CDIP Strategies, Approval, School Year 2012-13 SBDM Staffing Allocations, Approval, and BG-1: Bardstown Middle School Roof Replacement.

Nelson County Board of Education

The Nelson County Board of Education will meet 5 p.m. April 17 at the District Central Office, 288 Wildcat Lane, Bardstown. Items on the agenda include construction update.

New Haven PTO

New Haven School PTO will meet 5 p.m. April 18 in the school cafeteria.

Faithful Citizenship Luncheon

"Immigration Issues: Out of the Shadows" is the topic of the Faithful Citizenship Luncheon noon-1 p.m. April 17 in Flaget Hall at the Basilica of St. Joseph Proto-Cathedral, Fifth and West Stephen Foster

Bardstown. Panelists will be the Rev. Bill Bowling and Jose Neil Donis. In the audience will be Catholic Charities Immigration Legal Services and Office of Multicultural Ministry leaders. The event is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Louisville Catholic Charities' Parish Social Ministry Department and is free and open to the public. Those who attend are encouraged to bring a brown-bag lunch. Drinks will be provided.

Register by calling Catholic Charities' Nazareth Office, 331-4545 or email to schmuckrsm@scnazareth

Jim Beam retiree lunch

The monthly Jim Beam retired personal social will be noon April 18 at B.J.'s Restaurant.

MADD Nelson County

MADD Nelson County will meet 6 p.m. April 19 at the Nelson County Public Library. Meetings are held the third Thursday of the month. Everyone is invited to attend. MADD's mission is to stop drunk driving, support the victims of this violent crime and prevent underage drinking. MADD is dads, daughters, sons, aunts, uncles, neighbors and moms of all ages and walks of life. If you are not available to attend the meeting and would like more information, contact Jennifer Barrie at 502-507-3314 or jbarrie@bardstown.com.

First Christian dinner, auction

First Christian Church of Bardstown Disciples of Christ will have a dinner and auction April 28 at 175 E. John Rowan Blvd. Dinner will be 4-6:30 p.m. Tickets available: \$8 adults, \$5 for children (4-12), Children 3 younger eat free. Families \$30. Silent auction will begin at 4. Live auction will begin at 7. \$2 Raffle tickets are currently being sold by church members for

an iPad 3 and a large flat screen television. Tickets are being sold by church members and will be sold on site that evening.

Threads of Hope

From Easter to Mother's Day, First Presbyterian Church is collecting items for Threads of Hope, a nonprofit Christian organization. These items will be taken to a sewing co-operative in Nicaragua. Any sewing items — from sewing machines, steam irons, any material except wool or flannel, craft supplies, scissors, etc., are needed. For more information, call the Church at 348-6076 or 349-1281.

Rolling Fork Preservation Assn.

The Rolling Fork Historic Preservation Association will meet 2 p.m. April 28 at the house of Charles and Cindy Lemons, 153 N. Main New Street, Haven. Members should be prepared to pay your yearly dues. People interested in preserving local history are welcome. On another note the RFHPA will have a table the the Ancestral Trails Book sale at the Prichard Center in Elizabethtown April 21.

APRIL

Taste of Bardstown sold out

Taste of Bardstown Hospice fundraiser is sold out. No tickets will be available at the door.

Bloomfield SBDM

Bloomfield Middle School-Based Decision Making Council will meet 4:30 p.m. April 17 in the conference room and is open to the pub-

Bardstown Primary SBDM

The Bardstown Primary SBDM will meet 2:45 p.m. April 17 in the conference room.

Nelson County AARP

The Nelson County AARP Chapter will meet 11 a.m. April 17 in the Nelson County Library for a potluck and meeting. Bring a covered dish and a \$1 gift for bingo. All members are invited. If you wish further information about AARP come to a meeting or call Jane Durbin at 348-5589.

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THE DINNER DIVA

Treat your body to some sprouted grains

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There's a lot of talk these days about gluten sensitivity. Celiac disease, a digestive disease that damages the small intestine and interferes with the absorption of nutrients, has become more common in recent years.

And while gluten sensitivity is one thing, celiac is quite another. Grains that are sprouted can often be tolerated by gluten sensitive folks, while those with celiac just need to stay clear, unless of course, they have the go-ahead from their doctors.

The main difference between a sprouted grain and a non-sprouted grain is the digestibility. Sprouted grains are much easier on the body to digest vs. a regular grain that is not sprouted. Sprouting a grain produces vitamin C, increases

THE FLY LADY

Did you ever put some-

thing in a safe place never to

find it again? I have many

times. It is almost a joke in

our home when I say those

black hole fateful words, "I

need to put this in a safe

place." There are car titles

that have been lost in the

vastness of my safe places.

One time I was flying across

the country I lost two items

all because I didn't want to

misplace them on the flight.

three stooges searching for the cord to Michele's head-

phones. You know the story.

I put them some place safe

and then had to spend 30

minutes searching through

every pocket and compart-

ment in my purse and my

computer bag. After I finally

found them, I lost the cord to

my headphones. Luckily

that cord had not been

placed in a safe place; it was

hiding on the floor under my

In order to get myself

calmed down from the

chaotic start to our plane

ride I put on some music that

settles my nerves and decid-

ed to write about our little

comedy routine. Why do we

put ourselves through this?

At one point I was so happy

that my sweet darling was

not with us on our trip.

When he does travel with us,

he likes to sit a few rows

away from us because I fidg-

John Grisham — "Calico

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Safe places become black holes

them and getting more out of them, nutrient-wise, too. So next time you're

perusing the bread aisle and wondering which bread to pick up, you might want to consider Food for Life's bread. The Ezekiel bread is exclusively with sprouted grains and toasted, it tastes phenomenally rich. The added benefit to eating a sprouted grain bread is helpful if you're trying to lose weight. Why? Well, you know that the more veggies you eat the better and the less starchy stuff you eat, the less you're going to end up wearing it! Your body sees that sprouted wheat bread as veggies, yay!

Here's a simple recipe for my favorite way to have an Ezekiel bread sandwich:

Grilled Basil Tomato Cheese Sandwich Serves 1

2 slices Ezekiel bread 1 teaspoon whipped

unsalted butter

1 ounce low-fat Provolone cheese, grated

2 slices tomato

4 leaves fresh basil

Butter one side each of the bread. In a skillet, heat over medium high heat. Place the slices butter side down. Carefully place cheese evenly on both pieces of bread, careful not to get it in the hot pan. As cheese starts to melt,

place tomato and basil on one side of the bread, now squish together, cut on a diagonal and ...yum!

PerServing: Calories; 12g Fat; 16g Protein; 33g Carbohydrate; 6g Dietary Fiber; 26mg Cholesterol; 428mg Sodium. Exchanges: 1 Lean Meat; 1/2 Vegetable; 1 1/2 Fat. Points: 8.



Sharing Hometown Recipes, Cooking Tips and Coupons

By Janet Tharpe

Applesauce Bars Prove Tasty Stress Reliever

"My daughter from a stressful day at school. After she talked everything out with me, she tore into the kitchen and created these awesome applesauce



and delicious baking project! These sweet and spicy applesauce bars will satisfy your sweet tooth and provide some super duper stress relief. The recipe comes together fast, but like home cook Angie Walker's daughter, you may find the mixing, beating, blending and spreading therapeutic! (The eating part is pretty relaxing!) See step-by-step photos of Angie's recipe and

thousands more from other home cooks at:

www.justapinch.com/applesaucebars You'll also find a meal planner, coupons and chances to win! Enjoy and remember, use "just a - Janet

Stress Relief: Applesauce Bars

What You Need Bars

1/4 c butter, softened

2/3 c brown sugar

1 egg 1 c applesauce

1/2 c all purpose flour

1/2 c wheat flour 1/2 tsp baking soda

1/2 tsp salt

1/4 tsp ground ginger 1/4 tsp ground nutmeg

1/2 tsp cinnamon 1/2 c Craisins

1/2 c chopped walnuts

Frosting 1 1/2 c confectioners'

sugar 3 tbsp margarine, melted

1 tbsp milk 1 tsp vanilla extract

Directions · Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

Grease 9x13 inch baking pan. · In a medium bowl, mix together

butter, brown sugar and egg until smooth. Stir in applesauce. Combine the flours, baking soda, salt and spices; stir into the applesauce mixture until well blended.

 Stir in Craisins. Spread evenly into the prepared pan.

• Bake for 25 minutes (check at 20 minutes with a wooden pick) or until edges are golden. Cool in the pan over a wire rack.

. In a small bowl, mix together the confectioners' sugar and margarine. Stir in vanilla and milk until smooth. Spread over cooled bars, and sprinkle with chopped walnuts.

Submitted by: Angie Walker, Stryker, OH (pop. 1,335)

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the price we pay for having too much stuff is in time and frustration. Yes, we know it is here someplace. The same thing happens

in our homes when we have too much stuff. We can't find what we need when we need it. We don't have homes for these items. As my Granny has always said, "Everything has a place and everything in its place." Can you imagine

For sidetracked people our clutter is clogging up the valuable storage space in our homes and the stuff we need are always searching and wasting time hunting for what we want. With less clutter we release the frustration that comes with losing items. The funny part is that the items that are usually right in front of our faces in plain view and our frustration level blinds us. My next trip I am deter-

is homeless. This is why we

mined to travel with less and find more peace in my journey. I can do this. Are you ready to join me by releasing your clutter?your wings to

et too much. He travels light. This is not a term with which sidetracked people are familiar. Light for us is a flashlight to look into that bottomless pit of a handbag to help us find what we are I have been trying to fig-

ure out what the difference is between a man and a woman traveling. Robert has his wallet, a comb, his glasses, a book and just a car key in his pocket. His bags can be packed in about five minutes. He carries the bare necessities unlike Michele and I. We are prepared for anything. We have medications for stomach aches, heat pads for sore muscles and pills for headaches. We have our computers so we can still work and we have our tunes so we can sing. This stuff has come in handy, but

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Honoring those who help others is a grand goal

The Bardstown-Nelson County Human Rights Commission awarded its 2012 Outstanding Achievement Award Monday night to the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth.

Celebrating its 200th anniversary this year, the organization has long been known for its desire to help those in need. Some of its most direct forms of Human Rights is the way it has given a voice and power to women throughout the world. That achievement not only aids the women who choose to become Sisters of Charity and serve in that capacity but also women the Sisters have helped through the years either become more educated so they can help themselves or fight oppression in some third-world countries.

In addition to helping women, the Sisters have also helped the smallest in our society. One of the first missions of the religious organization was an orphanage and school for children left without parents. Though the orphanage has been closed for some years, the mission of helping others remains with the Sisters. For their advocacy work, the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth were honored this year.

According to Susan Gatz, vice president of the community at the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, for the past year the Sisters have been focusing on two main issues: immigration and human trafficking.

With the topic of immigration, the Sisters educated themselves by watching documentaries, as well as have paid attention to what's passed in the Kentucky Legislature to ensure no one's human rights are dismissed.

As for human trafficking, Gatz said the Sisters met with a representative from Catholic Charities in Louisville, which has been working to spread awareness of the issue.

The representative encouraged the Sisters to initiate a Nelson County task force to fight the cause. Gatz noted that a wide array of people showed up at the first meeting, so they broadened their cause to violence prevention.

Aside from task forces, the Sisters are also working hand-in-hand with local business owners to prevent sexual assaults in the area.

The Sisters also spread awareness of human trafficking by sponsoring a newsletter once a

The work the Sisters are doing go hand-inhand with what the commission is aiming to

"One of our main goals now is to educate people about what their human rights are, how they're protected and what to do if they're not," said Sharon Shanks, treasurer of the Human Rights Commission. "We want to provide the support and education that the community

That goal seems to line up perfectly with the Sisters' work. We applaud the Sisters on their award and their work and the Human Rights Commission for taking the time to honor those who help others.

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OUR VIEWS

Clean up area roads for cash

When I arrived home the other day I caught an unfamiliar sight in my backyard.

I didn't know what it was at first. By the time I got out of my car and looked around the shed I noticed three people walking up the hill behind my house.

What I had seen was the top of one of their heads as they crossed my fence in the back on their way to another home. It made me a little nervous to know these three had decided to use my backyard as their "cutthrough" but then I got

My anger was not directed at their laziness for cutting through my yard but rather their laziness for not putting their trash in an appropriate receptacle. On my way back to the door, I looked down to see a cigarette butt, still burning in my backyard. Apparently, as the trio was trespassing through my backyard, one of them also decided to throw their nasty cigarette butt down in my backyard along with another piece of trash.

I stomped the burning butt out and grabbed a paper towel to pick it up all the while fuming that someone would toss their litter in my yard. I absolutely hate litter. I don't understand the mindset to just toss your trash outside. There are garbage



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cans, dumpsters and trash receptacles all around and if there's not one at the moment you have trash, there will be when you get home. I don't understand the philosophy of trashing up your environment with something that can be easily disposed of properly. I've helped clean up litter on the side of the road only to be astonished at what people decided to throw out their windows. A lot of the trash is from fast-food restaurants, but you can't blame the restaurants. All the blame lies within the person who threw the bag, cup, sandwich wrapping or ketchup package out the window. You really can't place it anywhere

Not only have I picked up litter but I've also gotten to the point where I've even written down the license

plate of those I've seen throw paper and trash out their windows while driving down the street. I intended to turn their license plates into the police. But then I thought, what that would accomplish? How can the police do anything if they don't see it themselves? So writing the license plates down was as far as I ever got with that

While we try to figure out a better system for catching and punishing those who choose to litter, there are a few who will continue to fight the good fight and clean up our county.

And for those needing a little extra boost to do the right thing, Nelson Fiscal Court and the city of Bloomfield are offering money to non-profit organizations that pick up litter.

The program is funded by the state. Local government bodies provide state monies to non-profit groups that sign up with local agencies and agree to clean up a road for cash.

For Nelson Fiscal Court, those interested are asked to pick up one-two miles of designated roads for \$125 a mile. Vests and garbage bags are supplied and groups are asked to pick up the road within a certain time frame and take the collected garbage to the Nelson

County Road Department dumpster or to any other dumpster they have access to for the group.

The City of Bloomfield is offering the same type of program for non-profit organizations in their area, too.

Groups are allowed to sign up until the money is gone. For those interested in

Nelson Fiscal Court's program, call Greta Cecil at 348-1800 and she can get groups signed up and assigned a road. Some organizations have already signed up but Greta said there is still money available. Groups are asked to finish their cleanup by the end of the month.

For the City of Bloomfield, interested groups can contact Jean Jury at 252-8222 and get an assigned road. Bloomfield also provides vests and garbage bags. So far, Jean said no groups have signed up so now's your chance to take advantage of cleaning up your city and getting rewarded with funds for your non-profit group.

Take advantage of this opportunity. You'll be doing a good deed and getting paid for it in return. What's better than that?

Look at the two 'C's

Red and yellow and pink and green. Purple and orange and blue. I can sing a rainbow, sing a rainbow, too. Listen with your eyes and sing everything you see. I can sing a rainbow, sing along with me.

I remember singing this song as a child, but I did not get the true meaning of the words, until later in life. A rainbow, just like society, is comprised of many people with different shades of coloring. I feel that society puts way too much emphasis on the color of one's skin, and not the depth of their character. I'm the first to say, some get their "C"s mixed up. It is not about color, but the person's character. Color means vividness, pigment. Character, on the other hand, means personality, moral strength, a person as judged by actions. I really don't know how color outweighs

character for some. Sometimes, I feel in our



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day-to-day grind, we get mixed up, when looking at those who are different from us. Let's be honest here, the first thing most people notice is skin tone. Often, we make assumptions about others based on color alone. Why? As the song suggests, are we listening with our eyes?

After a heavy rainstorm, I find myself lifting my face to the sky, searching for the

brilliance of the rainbow, just trying to see how many colors are loaded into this act of nature. When I look at others, I always try to look past color, and go straight into the core of that person. For me, that is where their character and brilliant colors

Have you ever spoken with someone on the phone, and their personality shines through the phone lines, and finally you meet that person? They turned out to be not what you expected at all. It happens to me all the time, and I find humor in it each

My brother of my soul, as I see him, owns a boutique in Elizabethtown, and when I stop by, he always introduces me as his sister. Some people smile, others give way to that nervous laugh, and then again others don't know what to say, so they say nothing at all. I really don't understand some of their reactions, because we are similar in many ways. He is blonde, I'm blonde. He is about 5 feet 6 inches tall, I'm 5 feet 5 inches tall. He loves fashion, I'm a fashionista. He is a talker, and I'm a talker. I tell you what it is, our characteristics mirror each other, but our coloring is different. He is my brother, I love him, and he is a very important part of my

rainbow. So many times we don't even realize we are choosing color over character. Maybe it is because of our upbringing or maybe we had a bad experience with someone who is different from us. One thing is for sure, all of us bleed red.

So, now aware of the two 'C''s, let's enjoy each other's company in the name of character. For if we judge by color, we could be missing out on wonderful and lasting relationships.

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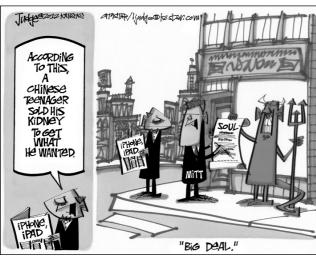
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Gender hysteria at the polls

When Mitt Romney became the presumptive Republican nominee, he was also promoted to commanding general in the alleged "war on women." Democrats are nattering

on about this phony war in a blatant bid to cement their advantage among women, particularly the college-educated women that are a key Democratic constituency. It is base politics in every sense, a lurid, bottom-ofthe-barrel catchphrase meant to frighten and energize an indispensable part of the Democratic coalition. The consensus is that it's

working, with polls showing President Barack Obama leading Romney by double digits among women. Romney is certainly acting as if he thinks it's working — doing defensive events with women, brandishing his winsome wife, Ann, as a shield from attack, and jumping all over a condescending statement by Democratic operative Hilary Rosen about how Ann, as a stay-at-home mom, "never worked a day in her life."

All this may be shrewd tactical politics, but Romney shouldn't mistake it for the main event. The election won't be won or lost on the "war on women," nor will Romney



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ever eliminate his "gender gap" — the differential in his support between men and women. If Romney wins the argument over the economy, he wins the election. Everything else is a detail.

Much is being made of Romney's gaping gender gap, yet the gender gap is one of the most persistent features of our politics. Women always support Democrats more than men do. In 2008, President Obama won 56 percent of women and 49 percent of men, for a 7-point difference. In 2004, John Kerry won 51 percent of women and 44 percent of men, for a 7-point dif-

Those figures show how the gender gap swings both ways, but there aren't many stories being written about how President Obama is un-

In the latest ABC/Washington Post poll (that skews heavily Democratic), he leads Romney by 7 points overall and by 19 points among women, but trails by 8 points among men. Yet there are no intense cable-TV debates about what the president has done to alienate men and what he can do to speak their language and win them over.

Commentary about the

gender gap usually lacks any sense of the divisions within the women's vote: It's all just one big, undifferentiated sisterhood. But in a Pew survey that showed Romney losing women by 20 points, the Republican was tied among white women and losing nonwhite women by 72 points. He was winning white women without a college degree by 10 points and losing those with a degree by 17 points. Word that there's a raging "war on women" must not be reaching broad swaths of women, woefully unaware that they are the target of well-publicized hostilities.

A USA Today/Gallup poll of swing-state voters found that the top issues for women are health care, gas prices, unemployment, the debt, international issues and — coming in sixth – government policies on

birth control. Men also ranked birth-control policies sixth in importance. Women aren't foolish enough to think that free contraception is as important as the cost and availability of health care, or the price at the pump, or whether they and their loved ones can get jobs. In the Pew survey, women are basically evenly split over whether religious institutions should get an exemption from the contraception mandate, with 42 percent favoring an exemption and 48 percent opposing one.

Romney is right when he says that what women really care about is the economy. But he shouldn't get drawn into debating on the terms of an Obama re-election campaign desperate to play demographic small ball and elevate distractions over the big issues: an unaffordable and dubiously constitutional health-care law, an 8.2 percent unemployment rate, a \$14 trillion debt. In this case, the high road is the best road. If Romney's vision for the country's future is compelling enough, the women's vote will take care of itself.

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Romney can't shake impressions he's made

The problem for Mitt Romney, assuming he eventually wins the GOP nomination, is that a general-election campaign isn't really like an Etch a Sketch. Alas, traces from the primaries linger.

The ghost image that remains will be of a strikingly uninspiring standard-bearer who deadened the Republican Party's great passion into a sense of duty. Voters will discern the outlines of a candidate who spent the better part of a decade running for president without giving evidence of a core philosophy beyond his belief in Wall Street's brand of capitalism.

It must be safe, by now, to predict that Romney wins the nomination. Right? Romney would likely arrive in Tampa with such a big lead, and needing so few delegates to go over the top, that any challenge would be

In an attempt to foreclose even the remote possibility of a contested convention, the Romney campaign has been trotting out a bevy of prominent Republicans to announce their support. But is it just me, or do these endorsements have all the enthusiasm of a series of

hostage tapes? "It's increasingly clear that Mitt Romney's gonna be the Republican nominee," said Sen. Marco Rubio (R-Fla.). He expressed confidence that



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Romney "will govern as a conservative" — saying nothing about whether Romney actually is a conservative - and added that the front-runner would be "head and shoulders better than the guy who's in the White House now."

Said Rep. Paul Ryan (R-Wis.), "I think this primary has been productive — I think it's been constructive up till now ... but I think we're entering a phase where it could become counterproductive if this drags on much longer. ... I'm just convinced now that if we drag this thing on to the summer, it's gonna make it that much harder to defeat Barack Obama."

Said former President George H.W. Bush, "I do think it's time for the party to get behind Governor Romney. .?.?. Kenny Rogers sang, It's time when to hold 'em and time when to fold 'em. Well, I think it's time for people to all get

behind this good man." Before he left the race,

Rick Santorum kept trying to point out that the last time the party settled for a nominee who failed to set conservative hearts aflutter - four years ago, with John McCain — things didn't work out so well, from the GOP point of view. If Santorum hadn't lost his 2006 reelection bid by 18 points, maybe more people would have listened.

It was Romney aide Eric Fehrnstrom who suggested that the general-election campaign would begin with a blank slate, like a shaken Etch a Sketch. But the truth is that, come the fall, Romney will still be Romney.

Nothing can erase the fact that he authored a health-care reform in Massachusetts, including an individual insurance mandate, that was used as the model for Obamacare. Nothing can erase the way he has pandered to the far right during the primaries - taking, for example, a hard-line position on undocumented immigrants that calls for "self-deportation" - in an attempt to disavow his erstwhile political identity as a moderate.

And I'm afraid that nothing can erase the impression Romney has made, through a host of statements and actions, of having allowed his great wealth to isolate him from the cares

and woes of the rest of humanity. You know the litany: "Corporations are people, my friend." "I'm not concerned about the very poor." "I like being able to fire people who provide services to me." "Ann [Romney] drives a couple of Cadillacs."

My personal favorite came at the Daytona 500, when Romney was asked if he followed NASCAR. "Not as closely as some of the most ardent fans," Romney replied, "but I have some great friends who are NASCAR team owners."

In the fall, Romney will also have to defend a belligerent and weirdly anachronistic set of policies, or postures, concerning America's role in the world. His description of Russia as "without question our number-one geopolitical foe" was bizarre, but I don't think it was accidental. Romney seems to be itching to wage a Cold War, and if one doesn't exist, he'll invent one — with Russia, China, somebody.

A recent Washington Post/ABC News poll showed Romney's approval ratings having slumped to a dangerous level, with just 34 percent of Americans viewing him favorably. He's got an awful lot of shaking to do.

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Beshear said to reporters. "His rank partisanship, his obstructionist attitude has caused numerous special sessions and has cost taxpayers millions of dollars in unnecessary expenses in conducting business that ought to be done in regular sessions."

To essentially hold Williams solely responsible for causing the special session is unwarranted, Higdon

"I can't point the finger at any one person," he added. 'I had to accept my portion of the blame ... It's unfair to see any one person stopped this process. The bottom line is we should have got it done (Thursday)."

State Rep. David Floyd agreed that holding Williams at fault is unjust, adding that Beshear is actually to blame for the delay.

House Bill 267/High school drop out bill

Much of the controversy surrounding the last day of the General Assembly circled around House Bill 267, which is the budgetary bill that outlines the \$2.4 billion

In the overall road plan, several projects were outlined for Nelson County. For example, the document stated plans to replace bridges on U.S. 150 over Beech Fork Road, U.S. 62 near Simpson Creek, U.S. 62 over Hinkle Creek, Old Tunnel Mill Road (KY 458) and on Mobley Mill Road over Froman Creek. Other projects outlined in the plan include widening and access management improvements on U.S. 31E between Nazareth Drive and KY 509;

adding a turning lane to U.S. 62 and KY 509; and widening KY 245 and U.S. 150, as well as repairing the on- and off-ramps at the Blue Grass Parkway interchange at U.S.

"The No. 1 priority would be the 31E project that goes from (High Grove) out to the Spencer County line," Higdon said in a prior interview with The Kentucky Standard. "That's because it's a dangerous section of highway."

Another main concern is repairing the on- and offramps and widening the roads at the Blue Grass Parkway interchange at U.S.

"When that thing was built nobody ever imagined the traffic that would be there," Higdon said in a prior interview with The Kentucky Standard.

General While the Assembly was able to pass the road plan, it couldn't agree on the transportation budget outlines for the road

In his statement to the press, Beshear acknowledged that he was pleased that the Assembly was able to pass an executive budget on time in the last six years. But, his happiness soon dimmed when no agreement could be made to the transportation budget.

"(Williams) caused the Senate to refuse to pass the transportation budget bill," Beshear said. "Without the transportation budget bill, we can't fund any of the projects in the transportation plan that had been passed.

"In a demonstration of political gamesmanship at its worst, Senator Williams adamantly declared that the Senate would not pass the highway budget until I signed the Road Plan first – without even reading it," Beshear said in a statement.

"For the record, the two Road Plan bills are 398 pages long. As the senator well knows, the law gives me 10 days to sign bills. It does so for a reason. I have the obligation to thoroughly review the Road Plan — a massive bill — to make sure all projects are in the best interest of our taxpayers. And how can I do that if I don't even know what funding accompanies those proj-

Not so fast, said Floyd. According to Floyd, the

budgetary bill was passed in the House and Senate. However, once it reached Beshear's desk, the document collected dust.

"(Beshear) refused to sign it," Floyd said. "We passed it. It was the governor who stopped it."

Floyd noted that the reason Beshear didn't want to sign the road plan was because he wanted the House and Senate to pass the high school drop out bill. However, the House and

the Senate had its own version of a high school drop For example, House Bill

216 would increase the high school drop out age from 16 to 18, which has been supported by Beshear. Under Senate Bill 109,

school boards could raise the dropout age if the superintendent recommended the motion and the Kentucky Department of Education approved it. According to Higdon, SB

109 was passed in the Senate, but died in the House. Likewise with HB 216, where it passed in the House, but died in the

Currently, neither HB 216 nor SB 109 is necessarily favored amongst legislators since each one has a caveat.

"(Beshear) held out and played the same game he's

been lambasting the Senate for," Floyd said. "What we needed was cooperation and the governor refused to cooperate."

House Bill 4 House Bill 4, aka the "pill

mill" bill, would require the Attorney General and Kentucky State Police to share information regarding drug diversion and improper prescribing. It would require doctors, who prescribe controlled substances, to register with and use the Kentucky All Schedule Prescription Reporting (KASPER) system. A portion of the bill allows the Attorney General the right to report a doctor to a licensing board, if the Attorney General's Office feels the doctor is not using KASPER.

Again with HB 4, Beshear pointed blame on Williams.

"In addition, (Williams) has caused the failure of House Bill 4, the bill that would have allowed Kentucky to take an aggressive stance against illegal prescription drug abuse," Beshear said. (Williams') failure and by his actions in not allowing that bill to pass the Senate, he is responsible for the continuing agony of hundreds of thousands of families around this state who have members who are suffering from various types of drug abuse. We need that bill."

Even Kentucky Attorney General Jack Conway expressed his frustration in the outcome of the bill.

"It is certainly disappointing that lawmakers were unable to pass comprehensive legislation during the regular session of the General Assembly to fight prescription drug abuse in Kentucky," Conway said in a statement. "As lawmakers renew their discussion of this important legislation, I am hopeful they will not use the Free Conference Report version of HB 4 as a starting point, but rather the original legislation proposed by Speaker (Greg) Stumbo, which I supported."

According to Conway, it's extremely vital for law enforcement to have greater access to KASPER, so it could identify drug trends. "We need greater regula-

tion of pain clinics to put an end to entrepreneurs using prescriptions to line their pockets with cash and to ensure that pain clinics are not dispensing drugs in a way intended for pharmacists," Conway added. "In its current form, HB 4 does not accomplish the goals we have outlined. Lobbyists for the medical community have watered down this bill to the point that it would place even greater restrictions on law enforcement access to KASPER data, making it more difficult to do the job we are seeking to do. Lobbyists also persuaded the Senate to remove another critical portion of HB 4 that would require doctors to register and use KASPER. Currently, only about 25 percent of prescribers in Kentucky use this important law enforcement

Floyd agreed Conway, adding that the different aspects that were added to HB 4 left it vague and unclear.

"With all the dynamics into it ... (we) ended with a watered down, useless piece of legislation," Floyd said. "The final version was not what anybody wanted, but no one objected to it."

The issue of prescription pill abuse is something Higdon feels needs to be addressed. He sponsored Senate Bill 2, which would put stricter regulations on the facilities, including a requirement that they be owned and operated by Kentucky-licensed physicians. It will mandate that any facility prescribing or dispensing narcotics register with the state's KASPER drug monitoring system and authorizes interstate data sharing of KASPER information. However, SB 2 didn't gain enough momentum.

All and all, he feels HB 4 was an important issue to be passed during the last day of the General Assembly.

"I thought we had a compromise worked out," Higdon said, noting that HB 4 is so broad that most legislators found something they didn't like about it.

Higdon feels that legislators need to put their own agendas aside and work toward a middle ground. "I think we need to hold

our nose, vote for it and get it done," Higdon said. "Our whole system of government is based on compromise." Most of all, come

Monday, Beshear said he's to finalize everything and hopefully have no more special sessions. "Since Sen. Williams

assumed the senate presidency in 2000, the Kentucky legislature has been ordered into a special session four times because of failure to agree on budget issues," Beshear said. "Those sessions cost our Kentucky families and businesses nearly \$2 million and put more pay into Sen. Williams' pocket. It's inexcusable. Come Monday, I expect Sen. Williams to be here to finish the work that he was elected to do."

>> Arson

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degree terroristic threatening and resisting arrest.

Holbert said he had a kitchen butcher knife and an older-style razor blade, with which he allegedly threatened his wife.

"She made a statement he told her he was going to kill her," Holbert said.

The couple's three chil-

dren were also in the area, though Holbert was not sure whether they were in the house when the alleged argument occurred. The couple lives in the house, Holbert confirmed.

Jeffires had already

allegedly fled by the time 10 members of the New Haven and Rolling Fork fire departments arrived on scene about 7:40 p.m.

New Haven Fire Chief Fred DeWitt estimated Jeffires had used about a half-gallon of gasoline, though it was hard to tell.

"It was pretty much all the way around the house,"

Rolling Fork Fire Chief Frank Hall said.

Much of the gasoline was concentrated around the front porch and entrance, DeWitt added.

"He didn't have that much

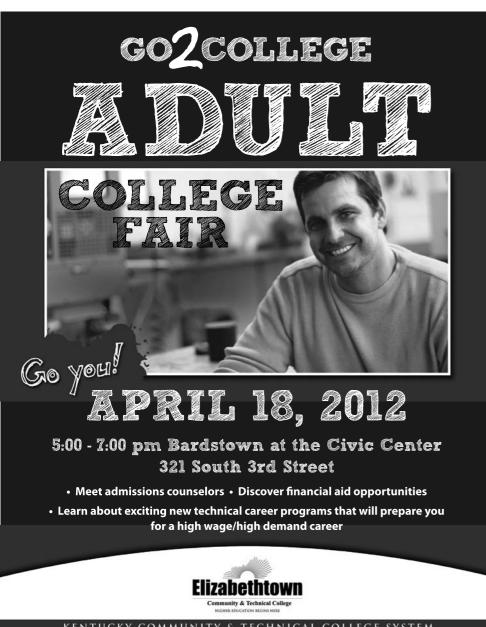
gas there to start with, so we mainly just let it dry. Once it's dry the vapors are gone and the danger is gone," DeWitt explained. "We don't really water it down, because it just spreads it far-

Holbert went to Flaget Memorial Hospital for treatment after the incident and is now using an air cast and crutches.

Bardstown to flush water mains in Botland area The City of Bardstown will oration of water and some home, let your tap run for ap-

be flushing water mains April 16 in Botland, Manton Road and Pottershop Road and all side roads in those areas. There may be some discoltrapped air in lines from this. It is suggested that you not wash any clothes during these times. If some of this discolored water gets into your

proximately 10 minutes. If discoloration or air persists, call the City of Bardstown at 348-5947.





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>> WEDDING



WILLIAM AND PATRICIA PERKINS

Bishop-Perkins

Patricia A. Bishop and William T. Perkins, both of Loretto, were married 9:40 a.m. April 4, 2012, at the Old Nelson County Courthouse.

The bride is the daughter of Ann M. Bishop Spalding, and SFC. Bryan and Sonya Fournier, all of Bardstown.

She is a graduate of Nelson County High School and is employed by Tg Ky in

The groom is the son of Shelbie and Wanda Perkins, Madisonville. He is a graduate of South Hopkins High School and is employed by Tg Ky in Lebanon.

Judge Dean Watts officiated the ceremony.

The bride was given in marriage by her sister, Alexis Fournier, and her nephew, Ethyn Lawson. Witnesses included Ann

M. Bishop Spalding, mother of the bride, Bardstown, and Tonya Lamdbin, Bardstown. A reception will be an-

nounced at a later date.

The couple is making their home in Loretto.

Josh and Amy Jury, Holy

Cross, announce the birth of

twin sons, March 28, 2012, at

Spring View Hospital,

pounds, 2 ounces and was 19-

pounds, 12 ounces and was

Jim and Robin Brady, New

Haven. Paternal grandparents

are Richard and Carla Jury,

home by a brother, Riley, 2.

The babies were welcomed

Gavin Brady weighed 6

Greyson Stone weighed 5

Maternal grandparents are

Lebanon.

1/4 inches long.

18-3/4 inches long.

Bardstown.

>> BIRTHS

Tyler and Matina Thurman, Bardstown, announce the birth of a daughter,

19 inches long.

Marissa Paige, Feb. 25, 2012, at Hardin Memorial Hospital, Elizabethtown. She weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and was

Maternal grandparents are John and Lisa Martin and Pamela Nalley. Paternal grandparents are Melissa Lanham, Shanna Hill and William Hafley.

Great-grandparents are Margret Nalley and Kathleen Thurman.

Ganoe

Adam and Laura Ganoe, Bardstown, announce the birth of

a daughter, Olive Marie, April 5, 2012, at Flaget Memorial Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 8 ounces and was 21 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Tom and Donna Blincoe, Bardstown. Paternal grandparents are Dan and Brenda Ganoe, Chester, Va.

The baby was welcomed home by a brother, Luke, 6, and a sister, Kyndal, 8.

Adams

Carrie Ann Adams, Bardstown, announces the birth of a daughter, Rachel Elaine Adams, Feb. 16, 2012, at Hardin Memorial Hospital, Elizabethtown. She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces and was 19 inches long.

Maternal grandparents are Frank Adams and Linda

Adams, both of Bardstown. The baby was welcomed home by a brother, Dakota, 3.

>> ENGAGEMENTS

Bodine, **Drake**

Mike and Lisa Bodine, Bardstown, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kayla Brooke Bodine, to T.C. Drake, son of Terry and Lysa Drake, Bardstown. The bride-elect is a 2006

graduate of Nelson County High School and attends Sullivan University, Louisville. She is employed by Tiny Treasurers in Bardstown and State Farm The groom-elect is a

2005 graduate of Nelson County High School and a 2009 graduate of the University of Kentucky. He is



T.C. DRAKE

employed by Best Buy, Shepherdsville.

The wedding scheduled for 7 p.m. April 28 at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Fredericktown.

A reception will follow the ceremony.

Keesy, **Klinglesmith**

Kip Keesy, New Haven, and Marian and Keith Passanisi, Bardstown, announce the engagement of their daughter, Kasey Jo Keesy, to Robb Klinglesmith, son of Norman and Patricia Klinglesmith, Hodgenville.

The wedding is scheduled for June 2 in Hodgenville.

The reception will follow at the Bluegrass Entertainment and Exposition



KASEY KEESY ROBB KLINGLESMITH

Complex.

Invitations are being sent.

Sixth Abbot of Our Lady of Gethsemani Trappist Monastery According to Fox, sever-

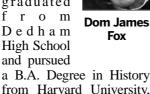
25 years after his death

DR. F. DEAN LUCAS

Dom James (Henry Vincent) Fox was born in Dedham, Mass., near Boston on Dec. 10, 1896. His parents, Patrick and Mary McEntee Fox, came to America

from County Monaghan in Ireland. An Irish

Catholic, Dom James graduated



a B.A. Degree in History from Harvard University, which he completed in three years. Following a brief enroll-

ment at the Harvard Graduate Business School in September 1917, Dom James joined the U.S. Navy in February 1918 at age 21.

He resigned from the Navy in 1919 as an officer and worked for the Internal Revenue Service 1919-1921.

He then made the decision to enter the Passionist Order in Pittsburgh, Pa., moved to the Passionist House in New Jersey in 1922 and entered Gethsemani in 1927.

Dom James Fox became the Sixth Abbot of Our of Gethsemani Trappist Monastery, serving August 1948 to January 1968. He died Good Friday, April 17, 1987, at age 90.

al factors influenced him to enter and to serve in the religious life for 66 years. Among those were:

His family background

was one in which he experienced a supernatural, spiritual environment. His parents consecrated the entire Fox family to

Jesus. In the main room of

their home, the family had a

statue of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The family prayed together in this room. While in the Navy, Fox made a retreat at the Passionist Monastery in

Boston. He became familiar with the life of St. Gabriel the Possenti, young Passionist Saint. He said,

The premature death of his sister, Catherine Monica (in 1918 at age 23) devas-He no longer wanted to

"St. Gabriel helped get me."

be a millionaire in a world of business and the natural order. He would devote 100

percent of the rest of his life to God, in the supernatural order, cost what it may. Fox entered (1921) and

stayed with the Passionists in Pennsylvania and New Jersey until his transfer to Gethsemani in Kentucky in He wanted the "tough-

est" monastery where he could find silence and solitude and where he could live a Trappist monastic life which was unheralded, unsung, and unknown, except to Jesus. He wanted to don only

two things as a contemplative, cloistered religious

One was to please Jesus. The other was not to displease Jesus. Fox was among 20 or so

monks sent by the Fifth Abbot of Gethsemani, Dom Frederic Dunne, to be the pioneer monks at the first Gethsemani foundation in Conyers, Ga., in 1944. He was elected the First

Abbot of the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in 1946. His motto while Abbot

was "Georgia for Jesus through Mary — with a smile." Following the death of Dom Frederic Dunne (who

was traveling from Gethsemani to Atlanta) in 1948, Fox was elected to be the new Abbot Gethsemani. The Gethsemani years

1948-1968 while Fox was Abbot is a story in itself.

Gethsemani was having financial challenges when Fox became Abbot, and the monastery had to diversify. It successfully made the

transition from an agrarian income to the cheese and bourbon fruitcake business, followed by the addition of bourbon fudge. These years also show

Gethsemani foundations in South Carolina, New York, California and Chile as well as a tremendous building restoration project in the mid-1960s. The monastery was

blessed with so many good monks with so much Godgiven talent.

Fox appears to have been the right Abbot at the right time to make use of the gifted monks for the greater honor and glory of God.

Many educators, business leaders and government leaders could learn much about leadership by studying Gethsemani history, spiritual and material, during this 20-year period. By the time of his resignation in 1968, Gethsemani had become a self-supporting monastery. When Fox resigned as

Father Flavian Burns (who had entered Gethsemani at age 19 in 1951 when Fox was Abbot) was elected in early January 1968 to be the new Abbot. Fox then lived in the hermitage about six miles from

the Abbot of Gethsemani,

knob near New Hope. In 1977, at age 80, he was beaten and robbed by two local men.

the monastery on top of the

Forgiving his attackers, returned to the monastery where he lived in the infirmary until his death on Good Friday in 1987.

It seems that Good Friday was "every day" life for Fox in his Trappist perseverance from 1927 until 1987. May he rest in peace.

Editor's note: Dr. F. Dean Lucas, Professor of History at Southern West Virginia Community and Technical College, has been visiting Gethsemani and Bardstown on a regular basis since the early 1970s. Dr. Lucas is in the process of completing a biography of Dom James









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TENNIS

Cards split with C'ville

NC, Bardstown meet Monday

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Despite the absence of its top boys' singles player, Nelson County forged a sweep in its match Thursday against visiting Campbellsville, 5-0.

The Cardinal girls' fortunes weren't as bright, however, as the Eagles won the ladies' competition, 3-2.

Joseph Cesare took over the top singles' spot for the vacationing Jackson Thompson, scoring a 7-6 first set win, picking up momentum in a 7-0 tiebreaker and carrying that over to a 6-0 second set over Layden Coffey.

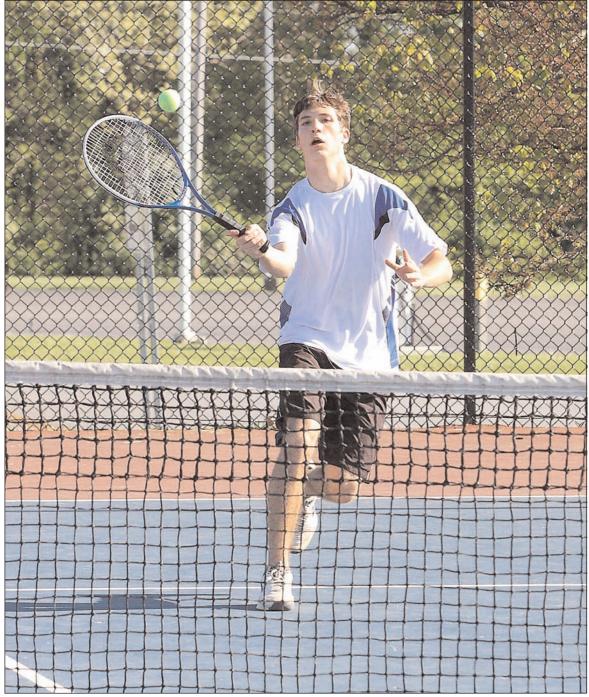
MacKenzie Peterson and David Chan teamed up to notch a 7-5, 6-1 win over Zach Settles and Austin Ward in No. 1 doubles.

On the girls' side, Nelson County picked up a win in No. 2 singles by way of Ying Chan's 6-2, 6-0 decision over Morgan Milby, and its other win came from Mallory Proctor and Olivia Cundiff, who blanked Bayli Dicken and Brandy Chelf, 6-0, 6-0.

The girls had their chances, but came just short in No. 1 singles as Savannah Wimsatt fell 6-4, 6-4, as well as No. 1 doubles, where Campbellsville's Brittany Ford and Nan Kaye claimed an 8-6 win over Autumn Keene and Erin Dalton.

Tanner Stallings and Derek Roby won their boys' singles matches, as did the doubles squad of Timothy and

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Joseph Cesare tracks down a volley near the net in his 7-6 (7-0), 6-0 win Thursday over Campbellsville's Layden Coffey in No. 1 singles action while moving up from his normal No. 2 slot to fill in for Jackson Thompson. The Cardinals visit Bardstown Monday.

BASEBALL

Teams find encouraging signs during spring break trips

Tigers-Eagles in key district tilt Tuesday

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On the surface, nothing in particular stands out about Bardstown's last five games, during which time the Tigers went 2-2 in Florida and returned home with a 5-0 loss to Washington County in Friday's 5th Region All A Classic semifinals.

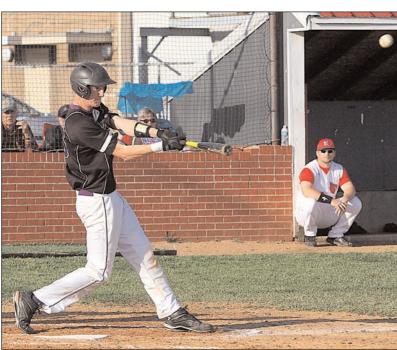
But it's the circumstances under which the Tigers forged that 2-3 stretch that has coach Glenn Koger positively giddy about his team's outlook.

"I was extremely proud, extremely pleased with the kids," he said.

Just before leaving for the Tampa Bay Spring Training Classic, senior Kyle Stith — who teamed with sophomore Shunta Muto to make up a formidable 1-2 punch at the top of the Tiger starting rotation elected to leave the team for personal reasons.

Then, the Bardstown rotation became that much shakier when No. 2 starter Dillon O'Daniel went down with a back injury, limiting him to just one game at first base in the final game of the trip, a 16-6 win over Clearwater, Fla.

That left Koger scrambling for available arms, pressing senior center fielder Bobby Butler into start-



PETER W. ZUBATY/The Kentucky Standard

Bardstown senior catcher Devin Riffe has been a good source of leadership for the Tigers, coach Glenn Koger said, whether at the plate or

ing duty, as well as junior outfielder Matt Bond, who made his first career start against a hard-hitting Archbishop Stepinac team, taking one for the team in an 11-1 loss. Koger said senior catcher Devin Riffe was a big source of leadership behind the plate and with a bat in his hands to help lift the Tigers during the trip.

Muto was his typical solid self in a 7-0 shutout of Yorktown, N.Y., improving to 2-1 on the year and keeping his ERA at a tidy 0.00.

"I think they really came together." Koger said of the adversityfilled trip, where the team had to bond and do what had to be done in a sink-or-swim scenario. "I think it really got them closer."

Koger is hopeful that a by-product of the bonding process will be better hitting by his club, which struggled for scoring opportunities Friday after Muto limited a powerful Washington County lineup to a run in the first and a run in the sixth inning to keep things close, his first

two earned runs of the season. The Commanders (8-7) — who dug out of a 3-0 hole to claim a 7-3 win over the Tigers in 19th District play to round out last month — pulled away in the top of the seventh by turning a fielding miscue into three

"They're in every game — it's just a matter of learning to finish every game," Koger said.

Koger said he's looking forward to the rest of the season and how his team, now 5-10 overall, grows from here on out. He'll get a chance to find out Tuesday, when his team heads to Dean Watts Park for a critical visit to rival Bethlehem, which enjoyed its own spring break successes, going 2-2 in the Mingo Bay Classic in South Carolina. First pitch is set for 5:30 p.m.

The Eagles are 8-10 overall and 1-1 in 19th District play. The winner has a chance to stay in the mix for a favorable seed in the district tournament in Mav.

Nelson County, which closed out spring break with a 7-2 win Friday at Moore, is 1-1 in district games, having won 4-1 over Bardstown last month, but ending up on the short end of a 4-1 decision at Bethlehem last month.

"That's an extremely important game for us," Koger said. 'Anything can still happen.'

Bethlehem and Bardstown have found themselves locked up in a number of tight games over the past few years, and Koger feels as

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>> SCORES AND **SCHEDULE**

Scores Baseball

Monday Fairdale 7, Nelson Co. 3

Tampa Bay Spring Training Classic Archbishop Stepinac, NY 11, Bardstown 1

Mingo Bay (S.C.) Classic Bethlehem 7, Salem, Va. 6

Tampa Bay Spring Training Classic

Bardstown 16, Clearwater, Fla. 6

Mingo Bay (S.C.) Classic Bethlehem 6, Aynor, S.C. 3

Wednesday Mingo Bay (S.C.) Classic Cicero-North Syracuse, NY 11,

Thursday Mingo Bay (S.C.) Classic Utica Proctor, NY 5, Bethlehem 4

Nelson Co. 7, Moore 2

5th Region All A Classic Washington Co. 5, Bardstown 0

Softball

Tuesday Bethlehem 4, Eminence 0 Nelson Co. 4, Washington Co. 3

Tates Creek 14, Bethlehem 4 Taylor Co. 21, Nelson Co. 0

Schedule Baseball Monday

Bethlehem at North Bullitt Campbellsville at Nelson Co.

Bardstown at Bethlehem Nelson Co. at LaRue Co. Wednesday

Danville at Bardstown Thursday

Hart Co. at Bardtsown John Hardin at Bethlehem Shelby Co. at Nelson Co.

Bardstown at Model Bethlehem at Jeffersontown Nelson Co. at Green Co. Saturday

LaRue Co. at Bardstown Nelson Co. at Collins

Softball Monday

Bethlehem at Washington Co. Spencer Co. at Nelson Co.

Bethlehem at Bardstown Boyle Co. at Nelson Co. Thursday

Nelson Co. at Bardstown Fort Knox at Bethlehem

Bardstown at Central

Assumption Crusade for Children Bethlehem v. TBA

Bullitt Co. Invitational Nelson Co. v. Grayson Co. Nelson Co. v. Bullitt Central

Fort Knox at Bardstown

Assumption Crusade for Children

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>> SPORTS NOTES

Youth league signups

The city of New Haven is taking signups for the 2012 Summer Recreation Ball Leagues. Pick up a form at City Hall. Ages 3-12 are eligible to participate. The

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YOUTH SPORTS





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Nelson County girls' basketball coach Kelly Wood welcomed more than 60 girls at split sessions at NCHS and OKHMS last week for his Lady Cardinals Basketball Camp.

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Nathan Kaissieh.

Nelson County visits Bardstown Monday. Results from the Tigers' matches last week with Campbellsville and Taylor County were unavailable as of press time.

Girls: Campbellsville 3, Nelson Co. 2

Girls' Singles

#1 — Brooklyn Harris (C) def. Savannah Wimsatt (NC) 6-4, 6-4

#2 — Ying Chan (NC) def. Morgan Milby (C) 6-2,

#3 — Nan Kaye (C) def. Adrienne Roark (NC) 8-2

Girls' Doubles

#1 — Brittany Ford/Nan Kaye (C) def. Autumn Keene/Erin Dalton (NC) 8-6 Mallory #2— Proctor/Olivia Cundiff (NC)

Chelf (C) 6-0, 6-0 #3 — (Exh.) Maggie Downs/Gianna Cesare (NC) def. Bayli Dicken/Brandy

def. Bayli Dicken/Brandy

Chelf (C) 8-2 #4 —(Exh.) Brooklyn Harris/Morgan Milby (C) def. Kara Girdley/Alicia

Bedolla (NC) 8-0 #5 — (Exh.) Austin Ward/Bayli Dicken (C) def. McKim/McKenzie Abby Letner (NC) 6-0

Boys: Nelson Co. 5, Campbellsville 0

Boys' Singles #1 — Joseph Cesare (NC) def. Layden Coffey (C) 7-6 (7-0), 6-0

#2 — Tanner Stallings (NC) def. Samuel Kessler (C) 8-6

#3 — Derek Roby (NC) def. Cass Kidwell (C) 9-8 (7-

— (Exh.) Daniel Spalding (NC) def. Peyton Reynolds (C) 8-1

Boys' Doubles

#1 MacKenzie Peterson/David Chan (NC) def. Zach Settles/Austin Ward (C) 7-5, 6-1

Timothy #2 Kaissieh/Nathan Kaissieh (NC) def. Jackson Hunt/Ben Fitzgerald (C) 8-0

#3 — (Exh.) Layden Coffey/Samuel Kessler (C) def. Wesley Ballard/Daniel Spalding (NC) 8-5

deadline is May 1. Call 549-

Culvertown softball

Those interested in partici-

pating in a men's softball

league at the Culvertown

Ballpark should attend a

meeting 7 p.m. April 30 at

the park. The league will

play on Tuesday and

Thursday nights beginning

May 15. Call 549-3451 with

Bardstown boys' basketball

coach James "Boo" Brewer

is hosting a camp for boys

and girls in grades 2-9 for

the 2012-13 school year in

June. Cost is \$65 for early

registration. Camp is 9 a.m. -

3 p.m. June 4-8. Lunch is

provided. Call 331-8802 for

Bardstown Tiger

Basketball Camp

questions.

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though Tuesday could be another dandy.

"Our kids are looking forward to it, as I'm sure theirs

Also on the Tigers' schedule is a Wednesday visit from Top-15 Danville, as well as home games Thursday (Hart County) and Saturday (LaRue County) against 5th Region opponents sandwiched around a Friday visit to Richmond Model.

Cards working to overcome fielding woes

Nelson County has stumbled at times this season during a 4-9 start, with shaky fielding victimizing what has been a solid effort to this point by a Cardinal pitching staff with a 3.31 earned run average.

"That tells you how bad our defense has been," Nelson coach David Sparrow said of his squad, which committed 40 errors through the team's first 11 games.

The squad was 2-5 before heading to Orlando and the Disney Spring Break event, where the Cardinals went 1-4. Nelson fell 7-3 at Fairdale Monday, but showed encouraging signs in a 7-2 win Friday at Moore.

Nelson County rapped out 12 hits in the game with the Mustangs, and eight of nine starters collected at least one hit.

"Offensively our best performance of the year, which was good to see," Sparrow noted. Alex Briney, Khalil

Bourn and Paden Vernon each had two hits, and freshman Zach Mauldin came through with two hits and two RBIs. Jake Jones also had a key double.

An even brighter spot for the Cardinals was in the field, where they committed

"That's a good sign we've got a big week coming up," Sparrow said of the schedule, which features a visit from Campbellsville Monday (5:30 p.m. start) and a visit to LaRue County, which has the best record in the region at 12-4. Shelby County comes to town Thursday, and the Cardinals

more information.

Bethlehem Eagles

Bethlehem boys' basketball

coach Artie Braden is host-

ing a camp for boys in

grades 3-8 for the 2012-13

school year. Camp runs 9-11

a.m. June 11-14. Cost is \$45.

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Cardinals Basketball

Nelson County coach Bev

Hart is hosting a camp for

boys in grades 2-9 for the

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camper, which includes a T-

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ber discount is available.

Call (270) 584-4370 with

more information.

Nelson County

Camp

questions.

Basketball Camp



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Nelson County has gotten solid pitching this season from hurlers such as senior Timothy Dugger, right, and junior Dylan Beasley, left, but the Cardinal pitching staff has been a victim of shaky defense, coach David Sparrow said.

Cardinals took a 1-0 lead

after Bourn tripled to lead

off the game and Jared

Proctor drove him in. Their

Keystone State counterparts

pushed across three in the

bottom of the third, but

Nelson pieced together a

two-run sixth with a sacri-

fice fly and a suicide

squeeze to tie it up. St.

Vincent answered with three

in the bottom of the sixth to

great" at Orlando, Sparrow

said. "It's a world-class

"The experience was

claim the win.

facility."

go on the road to Green County and Collins to round out the week.

Sparrow said if the team can clean up the fielding miscues, the Cardinals pitching has been good enough to win games. "We've beaten ourselves

in just about every game this year," he said. "The pitchers are getting the job done; the defense just isn't helping them out."

While in Orlando, Nelson County did some good things, including a 7-5 win over Marshfield, Ohio, where Dylan Beasley pitched two scoreless relief innings for a win highlighted by Anthony Wilkerson's two-run single in the sixth that proved to be the difference.

Losses came at the hands of Chicago's Whitney Young High (13-1) and Lakeland, Wisc. (11-0), a game marred by six errors to spoil an otherwise solid effort by

Nelson County rounded out the trip with back-toback losses against St. Vincent Pallotti, Pa., the first of which was streamed live over the Internet by the national cameras of ESPN3.

"I would use the word surreal," Sparrow said of the 6-3 loss. "They had cameras

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in the dugouts. ... You had a Eagles go 2-2 in minute between innings." S.C. In that game, the

Bethlehem opened pool play in the Mingo Bay (S.C.) Classic with a pair of wins, 7-6 over Salem, Va., on Monday, and 6-3 over host Aynor, S.C., on Tuesday to help shake off a 12-inning, 4-3 loss to Adair County at home April 7 before heading south.

Bethlehem fell 11-1 to Cicero-Syracuse, Wednesday, and dropped a tough 5-4 decision to Utica Proctor, N.Y. The Eagles were clinging to a 4-3 lead in the bottom of the seventh, but Proctor came up with the late-game rally.

Eagles coach Roger Robinson was unavailable for comment.

Bethlehem is back in action Monday at North Bullitt before Tuesday's home game against Bardstown. The Eagles host John Hardin Thursday and visit Jeffersontown Friday.

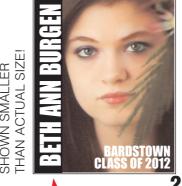




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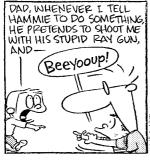
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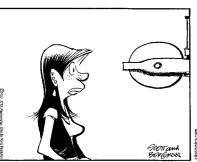


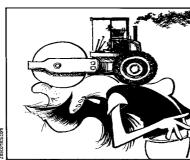


HAGAR THE HORRIBLE











Thoughtful gifts convey proper thanks for hosts' hospitality

DEAR ABBY: I'm confused about the protocol in thanking or repaying someone after staying several nights at their home. My feeling is, if you're staying with people, the nicest way to thank them for their hospitality is to pay for most, if not all, the lunches and dinners you share with them when you dine out. That way, you lessen

home.

PHILLIPS Dear Abby

JEANNE

Syndicated Columnist

the monetary burden of your visit, and it gives you a chance

Some visitors seem to think that when they come to your home, you should not only put them up, but also pay for all their activities while you show them your town. What is correct?

to say "thank you" for the use of their

FROM PHOENIX

VISITING

DEAR VISITING: According to Emily Post, when a guest stays overnight, a nice bottle of wine would be a proper gift if you know vour hosts drink and their preference. If there are children in the household, a game that all of them can enjoy or candy might be nice. If you will be staying longer, she suggests a picture frame with a photo

taken during your visit sent afterward, a houseplant in a decorative pot, hand or beach towels towels.

And I agree with vou that treating your host(s) to a nice dinner during your visit would be gracious and thoughtful.

DEAR ABBY: One of my best supervisors is in a same-sex relationship. She and her partner are raising three wonderful

children from previous marriages. I have introduced them to my husband at the office as well as work-related social events. He says he "hates" them because he believes their relationship broke up their marriages and it's wrong to raise their children this way. When he encounters them he re-

fuses to acknowledge them and will snarl when near them. Neither of them have done anything to deserve this treatment, and it makes me embarrassed and ashamed of him. I've tried to reason with him — nothing works. I told him flat out he can have his opinions, but I expect him to treat them with respect.

I'm to the point where I have to attend work-related functions alone and not allow him to come to my office. That's one solution, but I'm still upset about his attitude in general. **UPSET IN TEXAS**

DEAR UPSET: I suspect that your husband's reason for "hating" your supervisor has less to do with the fact that she and her partner ended their marriages, and more to do with knee-jerk homophobia. Children who are raised in happy homes do better than those who are raised in a household filled with unresolved tension. I can't change your husband's attitude, and neither can you. Only he can do that, but enlightenment isn't likely to be achieved until he recognizes a need P.S. His manners are atrocious,

and you're right to keep him apart from your work environment.

DEAR ABBY: Due to a health problem that caused some of my hair to break and fall out, I have recently begun wearing a wig. At a social function a woman who was not a friend of mine approached me and asked if I was wearing a hairpiece. How could I respond to such a rude question without admitting that I am wearing a wig? **STUMPED**

IN PENNSYLVANIA **DEAR STUMPED: Try this: "I'll** forgive you for asking that question if you'll forgive me for not an-

>> HOROSCOPES

The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Look at your expectations. Could they be the reason that you sometimes feel let down? Expectations help create dreams, but they also might cause a downer or two. A partner or family member explains his or her feelings. Remember, this person has been off-kilter for a while. Tonight: Remain sensitive to others

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) $\star\star\star$ If you feel a little tired, take a hard look at what you have done as of late. You cannot be everywhere all the time. Make Sunday your day to do whatever you must. Tonight: Make it early. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Keep reaching out for that stubborn person who is standing on ceremony. Eventually he or she will respond and realize that the situation is not desirable. If you're not involved with taxes, opt for listening to some music and spending time with friends. Tonight: Go for something exotic. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Resist getting into a tango with a partner or the IRS. Just do what you must. Some of you might decide to spend your money differently after taking a look at what you spend and why. Tonight: Chill out.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Tension builds around a key person. He or she seems to be in a dark mood — or is that you? Lighten up the moment; a somber attitude gets you nowhere fast. Take a walk or drive to revive your spirit, or accept someone's invitation. Tonight: Visit friends.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Understand your role in facilitating someone's day. Sometimes, when you do too much, resentfulness comes out. Juggle your needs with this person's. A child or new friend loves to have your attention. Learn to say "no."

Tonight: Get a head start on to-

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) $\star\star\star\star$ Avoid projecting any negativity. Someone you adore might catch it, and you love this person's usually happy ways. Allow more serious conversations to occur, but put them in perspective. Your sense of humor emerges when dealing with a child. Tonight: Let the good times

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) $\star\star\star$ You are on top of what you must do. A last-minute financial matter or problem at home could occupy your time. At first, you might feel overwhelmed. Don't: however, do change plans rather than squeeze everything in. Tonight: Find time to relax.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) $\star\star\star\star$ Help a friend who is down in the dumps. Your presence could help turn this person's day around. Your sense of humor helps him or her lighten up. Touch base with family or friends afterward, even if it is simply a call. Tonight: Visit with a sibling. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan.

19) ★★★ How you handle your finances and what you do could change a lot in your life. If you are doing taxes, be thorough and careful. A sense of completion will follow and you'll feel great later. Tonight: Treat yourself well. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ Though friends and family might be a bit aloof, you are able to move past limitations imposed by their moods. You understand, though — you have been moody too. Go visit a loved one who is always happy to see you. Tonight: Go with an impulse. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★ You might want to go on a retreat, or at least play it low-key today. Understand what you expect from someone, but know that he or she cannot give that to you at the moment. It will happen at a later date, though. Tonight: Think "Monday."

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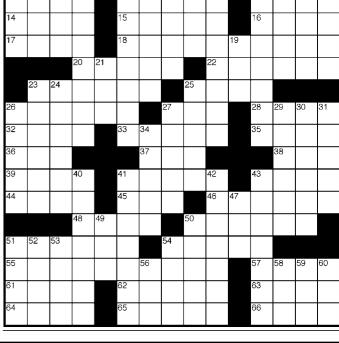
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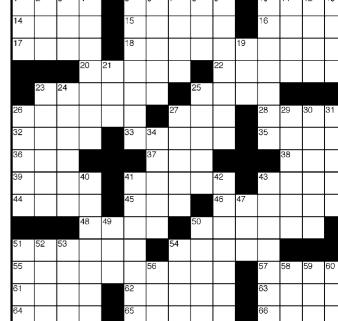
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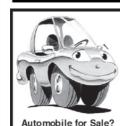
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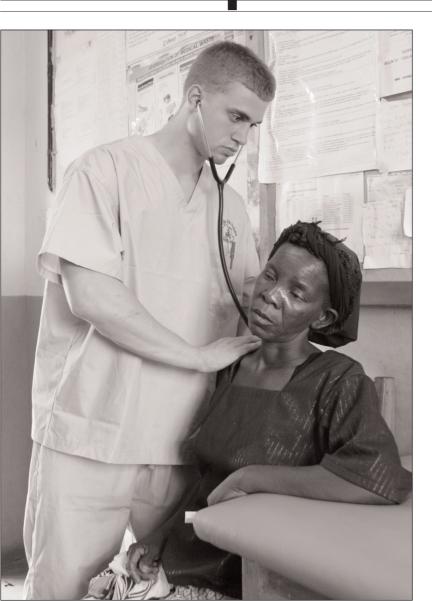


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AT LEFT — Justin Pile, Cox's Creek, sees a patient in the Kasigau region of Kenya. ABOVE — Pile and other pre-med students visit a Kasigau village. BELOW - Pile is pictured with translator Jael and Jared, who had worms and chest congestion that made it difficult to breathe. Jared was given deworming medicine and generic amoxicillin to fight the bacteria in his chest.

Caring for East Salal

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In Kasigau, Kenya, there are no state-of-the art MRI machines standing at the ready for villagers who need a scan. The clinics have only a handful of rooms, stone walls and metal roofs. Patients' illnesses are often agitated by or even caused by their environment and unsanitary conditions. Even doctors are hard to come by.

They may not be doctors yet, but when a dozen or so Western Kentucky University pre-med students visited three villages in Kasigau, a region in southern Kenya, early this year, they provided some much-needed aid to people who had, in some cases, been suffering for years.

Cox's Creek native Justin Pile, a senior at WKU, was one of those students. And while he spent a semester studying the Kiswahili language and the types of illnesses he would encounter in this remote region of Kenya, he said nothing could really prepare him for the experience on the ground.

"There was a man who came in with a double hernia, which it's not uncommon for people in the U.S. to have hernias, but the thing is that he'd had it for three years," Pile said, noting that hernias can be painful. And because the elderly man worked a plow pulled by oxen for a living, he would constantly use the muscles that agitated his condition.

Many of the patients hadn't seen a doctor since the last time WKU's group had visited the area about two years before.

"There was a lady who had a goiter for four years, and she wasn't sure how old she was but she thinks she's 90," Pile said.

Even learning a person's medical history presented challenges.

"You have to get their medical history from them or just from old books that they're supposed to bring to you," Pile said.

But in essence, these challenges make WKU's work in Kasigau all the more pressing. Dr. Nancy Rice in the university's biology department established the partnership with the University of Nairobi, called Partners in Caring. Her groups of pre-professional students had visited the area perhaps twice

Pile's group was in Kenya Dec. 29-Jan. 15, staying in tents near the home of the village leader of Rukanga.

"He kept a fire going to keep the animals away," Pile remembered. "There was a lot of nocturnal activity. You could hear all the animals out there. You could definitely hear the hyenas.'

The group traveled between three villages through about Jan. 8, rising early in the morning for breakfast — "everything you ate over there was all breadbased or beans" - then working 10 or 12 hours a day treating patients.

"When we triaged our tients, that took place outside just sitting on benches outside under a tree," Pile said.

Speaking in his limited Kiswahili seemed to help put his patients at ease.

'The translators are useful, but I found that when an American student tries to converse with the Kenyan people in their native language, there is better personal interaction and the patients become more comfortable sharing necessary information for the triage period," Pile wrote later in a letter addressed to potential future participants in the program. "Honestly, a lot of the patients giggled at me and the translators told me it was because they did not expect me to speak Kiswahili. I laughed back because I know that my dialect must sound silly, but I know that the village people appreciate my efforts."

Many of the illnesses he encountered — worms, parasites, typhoid fever, malaria are not commonly seen in America. They were often the result of the environment. Many of the people of Kasigau did not have access to sanitary drinking water, which aided in the spread of parasites and disease. For others in this mostly agrarian society, injury and illness were a result of their work.

"There was a lot of back pain, and with all the manual labor that they do, they're going to have back pain," Pile said, "so we would tell them. 'Here's how you lift."

Pile loved being able to talk to the children in the villages and make them laugh. But there was also a great deal of work to be

"There could be 40-80 patients a day just depending on the village, so we had to be efficient and move, but at the same time we had to balance between quality of the time spent with the patients and quantity of the patients that we see," he said.

In the evenings, the students were able to visit with some of their host's friends and relatives in Rukanga. And one day, he took them on a hike up Mount Kasigan

"As we hiked up a mountain, we could see other mountains in the distance, where villages separated, and Rukanga below with its church people singing for hours. The majesty of this place

is breath-taking," Pile wrote.
Pile's father, Jerry Pile, remembers hearing his son tell

"It was very inspirational to him that even halfway up the mountain he could still hear the people in one of their churches," Jerry said.

It may have served as a

reminder of Justin's church back Bardstown United home, Methodist Church, in which Justin has been very involved. The church and others in the community helped to fund Justin's trip, while Flaget Memorial Hospital, where he often volunteers, donated the scrubs he would wear, Jerry said.

"When he graduates this summer he wants to share the visit with the church and tell the stories," he added.

Pile's parents were thrilled and anxious when they heard of his plans to travel to Kenya.

"I was excited for him but I was very nervous. It was a long two weeks when he was gone," said his mother, Cindy Pile, explaining that he wasn't able to communicate with them on a regular basis while he was there.

"You could tell he was very passionate," Jerry said, so they supported and encouraged his trip.

And when he came home, Justin was all the more determined to become a doctor.

"It was good to hear that he handled it well and that he can be a part of those things and still persevere," Jerry said.

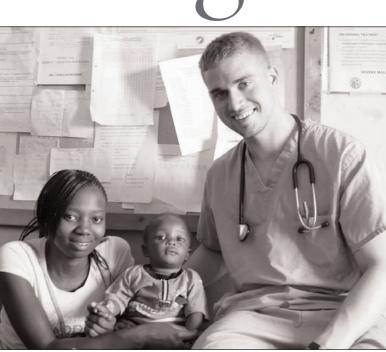
"I did this initially because it gave me an opportunity to study abroad. I'd be able to go to Africa," Justin explained. "I got to go to Africa like I wanted, but then when I was there, I thought, 'I could really do this. I could do this for a long time."



ABOVE — Justin Pile is featured with a little boy who eventually got to keep his sunglasses. A number of children approached Pile's group after they visited a basket-weaving guild that partners with WKU to sell baskets in the U.S. BELOW LEFT — Pile (at left) is pictured with the pre-med students, doctors and professors that went to Kasigau Dec. 29-Jan. 15. BELOW RIGHT — After they left Kasigau, Pile's group spotted some wild animals at Tsavo National Park.









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